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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES</b> <b>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)</b> <b>CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>BARO-720</b> U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/575222</b> PRIORITY DATE <b>10 October 2003</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US2004/033007	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 08 October 2004	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>DEVICES AND METHODS FOR RETAINING A GASTRO-ESOPHAGEAL IMPLANT</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Richard S. Stack, Dan Balbierz, John Lunsford, Kevin van Bladel, William S. Eubanks, Jr., William L. Athas, Richard A. Glenn and Richard Kouri</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol>		

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10/575222		PCT/US2004/033007		BARO-720	
20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 1. A copy of the PCT Request; 2. A copy of the specification (61 pages), forty-two (42) sheets of formal drawings and International Search Report two (2) pages; 3. Copies of Forms PCT/IB/301, PCT/IB/304 and PCT/IB/308.					
The following fees are submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)) . . . . . \$300				\$ 300.00	
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c))					
If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article					
All other situations. . . . .				\$ 200.00	
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b))					
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Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority . . . . .					
International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB. . . . .					
All other situations. . . . .				\$ 500.00	
TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =				\$ 1,000.00	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	18 - 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$ 0.00	
Independent	1 - 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$ 0.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>			+ \$360.00	\$	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 1,250.00	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ 625.00	
SUBTOTAL =				\$ 625.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).				+	\$
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ 625.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per				+	\$
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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
for FY 2005**☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)

\$625.00

Application Number NEW

Filing Date HEREWITH

First Named Inventor Richard S. Stack et al.

Examiner Name Unknown

Art Unit Unknown

Attorney Docket No. BARO-720

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☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 ☒ Credit any overpayments**WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid(\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	\$500.00
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
1	- 3 or HP = 0	x \$100.00	= \$0.00

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Non-English specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	\$0.00
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